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HEALTH PROFILES FOR PENNSYLVANIA COUNTIES

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The Pennsylvania Department of Health has a legislative mandate to "protect the health of the people of the Commonwealth and to determine the most efficient and practical means for the prevention and suppression of disease." In order to advance toward these goals, we need statistical information on the health status of the population, the health care delivery system, and demographic and population characteristics.

The first health profiles were published in 1977 to provide a compendium of health data. These profiles have been updated and revised biennially, starting in 1978, to better meet the needs of governmental leaders, health program specialists, state and local planners, and concerned citizens.

The Health Profiles for Pennsylvania Counties are a series of 68 individual profiles - one for each county and one for the Commonwealth. The most recent information available was used. The year which the data represents is included in the profiles following each data item. Estimated population figures for 1984 are used throughout the profiles for the listed population as well as in the computation of all rates.

The major data source is the State Health Data Center, Pennsylvania Department of Health - specifically the Vital Statistics Cooperative Program, the Annual Hospital and Long Term Care Questionnaires, the Uniform Data Collection System for drug and alcohol information and the Developmental Disabilities Facility Questionnaire as funded by the Developmental Disabilities Planning Council. Additional sources include other units of the Department, (i.e. the Bureaus of Quality Assurance, Epidemiology and Disease Prevention, and Special Public Health Services), Pennsylvania State Data Center, Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare, Pennsylvania Office of Employment Security and Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

The profiles will continue to be updated biennially, with the next edition available in 1988. Comments and suggestions for improvement are welcome. If there are any questions or if additional information is needed, please contact the State Health Data Center, Pennsylvania Department of Health, P.O. Box 90, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17108, telephone number (717) 783-2548.

POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

1. DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

Total Land Area in Square Miles	129	Median Age of Population (1980)	31.6
Estimated Population (1984)	1,646,702	% Population Urban (1980)	100.0
Population per Square Mile (1984)	12,765	Per Capita Personal Income (1983)	$10,718
% Population Change 1980 to 1984	- 2.5	% of Population Receiving Cash Assistance (1985)	16.7
Projected Population (1990)	1,599,620	% of Labor Force Unemployed-Annual Average (1985)	7.0
% Population Change 1980 to 1990	- 5.2	% of Pop. Eligible for Medical Assistance (1985)	22.2

Estimated Population by Age and Sex (1984)

AGE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	AGE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
ALL AGES	1,646,702	759,970	886,732	35-44	186,680	85,393	101,287
0-4	116,185	59,154	57,031	45-54	155,181	69,674	85,507
5-14	212,752	107,790	104,962	55-64	175,365	76,542	98,823
15-24	287,646	142,208	145,438	65+	240,571	89,327	151,244
25-34	272,322	129,882	142,440				

2. MARRIAGES AND DIVORCES (1984)

Number of Marriages	10,124	Number of Divorces	4,943
Rate per 1,000 Population	6.1	Rate per 1,000 Population	3.0
Median Age of Bride	26	Median Age of Wife	34
Median Age of Groom	28	Median Age of Husband	36

3. NATALITY (1984)

Number of Resident Births	24,979
Rate per 1,000 Population	15.2
Median Age of Mother	25
% Low Birth Weight (<2500 grams)	10.3

Resident Births by Age of Mother, Number and Percent (1984)

AGE	NUMBER	PERCENT	AGE	NUMBER	PERCENT
ALL AGES	24,979	100.0	30-34	3,958	15.8
UNDER 15	120	0.5	35-39	1,147	4.6
15-19	4,356	17.4	40-44	167	0.7
20-24	7,715	30.9	45+	2	0.0
25-29	7,497	30.0	UNKNOWN	17	0.1

4. MORBIDITY (1985)

Incidence of Notifiable Diseases

Gonorrhea	17,345	Meningitis:	Aseptic	13	Salmonellosis	793
Hepatitis:	Type A	96	Meningitis:	Meningococcal	19	Shigellosis	182
Hepatitis:	Type B	190	Mumps		0	Syphilis	379
Hepatitis:	Unspecified	2	Rubella		0	Tuberculosis	261
Hepatitis:	Non-A/Non-B	9					

POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS (Continued)

5. MORTALITY (1984)

Number of Resident Deaths	19,949	Number of Resident Infant Deaths	388
Crude Rate per 1,000 Population	12.1	Rate per 1,000 Live Births	15.5
Median Age at Death	72.6	Number of Fatalities in Motor Vehicle Accidents in Which Driver Had Been Drinking	38

Leading Causes of Death by Age Group, Number and Percent (1984)

All Ages			Under 5 Years of Age			5-24 Years of Age		
Cause	Number	Percent	Cause	Number	Percent	Cause	Number	Percent
Heart Disease	6,631	33.2	Perinatal Conditions	209	47.1	Accidents, All Forms	93	29.8
Cancer	4,468	22.4	Congenital Anomalies	77	17.3	Homicide	81	26.0
Cerebrovascular Disease	1,228	6.2	Accidents, All Forms	30	6.8	Suicide	33	10.6
Accidents, All Forms	624	3.1	Heart Disease	12	2.7	Cancer	17	5.4
Pneumonia and Influenza	495	2.5				Heart Disease	13	4.2
All Other	6,503	32.6	All Other	116	26.1	All Other	75	24.0
TOTAL	19,949	100.0	TOTAL	444	100.0	TOTAL	312	100.0

25-44 Years of Age			45-64 Years of Age			65 Years of Age and Over		
Cause	Number	Percent	Cause	Number	Percent	Cause	Number	Percent
Cancer	172	15.2	Cancer	1,439	32.6	Heart Disease	5,308	38.9
Accidents, All Forms	171	15.1	Heart Disease	1,157	26.2	Cancer	2,839	20.8
Homicide	146	12.9	Cerebrovascular Disease	195	4.4	Cerebrovascular Disease	999	7.3
Heart Disease	141	12.5	Accidents, All Forms	119	2.7	Pneumonia and Influenza	425	3.1
Suicide	80	7.1	Liver Disease and Cirrhosis	101	2.3	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	363	2.7
All Other	419	37.1	All Other	1,398	31.7	All Other	3,721	27.3
TOTAL	1,129	100.0	TOTAL	4,409	100.0	TOTAL	13,655	100.0

HEALTH SERVICES AND FACILITIES

1. HOSPITALS (1985)

Number of Hospitals by Type:

Total	General Acute Care	Psychiatric	Rehabilitation	Federal	Other
51	33	5	2	2	9

Number of General Hospitals with the Following Ambulatory Care Services/Facilities:

Community Mental Health Center	1	Structured Clinics	22	Emergency Services Capability:			
Home Health Service	11	Family Practice Center	12	Limited	0	General	13
				Basic	0	Comprehensive	17

Number of General/Specialty Hospitals with Neonatal Units:

Well Infant Nursery	22	Neonatal Intermediate Care Unit	8	Neonatal Intensive Care Unit	9

General Hospitals:

	Number	Number per 1,000 Pop.
Beds Set Up & Staffed	9,387	5.7
Admissions	309,257	187.8

Specialty and Federal Hospitals:

	Number	Number per 1,000 Pop.
Beds Set Up & Staffed	2,917	1.8
Admissions	60,076	35.5

Average General Hospital Semi-Private Daily Room Rate $392

HEALTH SERVICES AND FACILITIES (Continued)

2. NURSING HOMES (1984)

Licensed/Approved Facilities by Level of Care and Certification

Type of Facility	Total	Certified-Medicare	Certified-Medicaid
Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)	23	15	17
Intermediate Care Facility (ICF)	4	0	3
SNF/ICF Combined Facility	34	30	34
TOTAL	61	45	54

Level of Care	Number of Licensed/ Approved Beds	Number per 1,000 Population Aged 65 and Over
Skilled	5,650	23.5
Intermediate	3,421	14.2
Total (SNF + ICF)	9,071	37.7

Median Age of Residents in Long Term Care Facilities 82.4

Median Semi-Private Daily Room Rate
Skilled $60
Intermediate $60

3. OTHER HEALTH SERVICES/FACILITIES

a. Drug and Alcohol Treatment (1985)

Admissions to State Supported Drug and Alcohol Treatment Facilities

Number of Facilities	Total Admissions	Primary Diagnosis: Drug Abuse	Primary Diagnosis: Alcohol Abuse	Primary Diagnosis: Other*	Percent First Admissions
82	19,285	7,466	11,647	172	38.3

Number of State Supported Drug and Alcohol Treatment Facilities Providing Specified Services

Inpatient Non-Hospital	Inpatient Hospital	Correctional Institution	Partial Hospitalization	Outpatient	Shelter
17	13	2	0	51	1

*Includes family members receiving counseling.

b. Emergency Health Services (1985)

Certified Emergency Medical Technicians	2,417	Certified Paramedics I	52
Ambulance Providers	17	Certified Paramedics II	156

c. Agencies/Facilities for the Developmentally Disabled (1983)

Total Number of Agencies/Facilities 37

Total Serving the Following Disabilities:

Mental Retardation	27	Autism	21	Muscular Dystrophy	22
Cerebral Palsy	27	Learning Disabilities	26	Other	32
Epilepsy	29	Multiple Sclerosis	19		

d. Primary Health Care Centers (1985)

Number of Agencies 13

e. Licensed Boarding Homes (1985)

Number of Homes 201